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INFORMATION ON MINES IN GDR AND HUNGARY

URANIUM MINING ENDANGERS SECTION OF DRESDEN -- New York, Staatszeitung und Herold, 3 Nov 53

Dresden -- Improperly shored-up uranium mining tunnels have caused deep cracks to appear in several streets of Dresden-Gittersee. About 350 families had to evacuate their homes during the past few weeks; the empty houses are to be torn down. Three streets, Postschappeler Strasse, Birgigk Strasse, and Berg Strasse, have already been completely evacuated. The evicted families are living in emergency quarters.

The Soviet-controlled Wismut AG believes that there are very rich uranium-ore deposits at Gittersee. Three new shafts are to be sunk there in the near future.

MACHINERY OUT OF ORDER IN HUNGARIAN MINES -- Athens, Le Messenger d'Athenes, 4 Sep 53

The decrease in coal production and the increased demands for coal by the USSR have obliged the Soviets to send new equipment to Hungary. However, there are reports that these new machines have not given good results. Of the many machines delivered to the Ormospuszta mine, only one is operating; the others are deteriorated and cannot be put into operation because of a lack of spare parts. Two Soviet machines are out of order in the Kossuth mine of Komlo. Three machines are out of order at the Oroszlany mine and three at the Varpelota mine. Two out of four machines are out of order at the Lukabanya mine.

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